FARM NEWS

By J. A. Smith, County Agent

New Cattle Disease Reported

For the past ten years, reports have been coming in of a new disease or possibly of several related or similar diseases in cattle. Such reports have become more frequent in the last year and it is believed that at least 20 states are involved.

Work being done at the VPI Agricultural Experiment Station indicates the presence of several of the diseases known as mucosal disease, are present in the state. This includes one entirely new type that is as yet unreported in other areas. Symptoms of the disease: affected animals show an acute high temperature, go off feed and lose weight rapidly. In most cases diarrhea and mucosal discharge from the nostrils are also present. Number of cows dying from this disease varies greatly. Antobiotics have been helpful only in a few cases. However, it is believed they are useful in combatting secondary infections such as pneuomnia. One case has been reported in Appomattox County.

In the event that cattle on your farm show these symptoms, it would be well to call a veterinarian or at least report it to the County Agent's Office, for it is of concern to all cattle owners.

Raising Calves

The raising of calves is far more difficult in winter than in other seasons, as colder weather brings disease problems. In all disease control procedures, cleanliness and sanitation are all - important. Farmers who plan to feed out calves to be sold as vealers or as replacements for the herd should disinfect calf pens thoroughly to eliminate germs as well as parasites. If new pens are being constructed, build them so that they are easy to scrub and keep clean. Provide plenty of sunlight, keeping windows open as much as possible, yet avoiding drafts and extremes in temperature. Open front ventilation gives best results. The inside of the calf pens should be painted with a light-colored paint or whitewash. When selecting paints be sure that lead paints are not being used.

Calves will do well if separated into groups of about the same age, in groups of 10 or 12.

Extremes in feeding, either overfeeding or underfeeding, create digestive disturbances, as will the feeding of damaged feed.

New Electric Plug

Electrical appliances coming on the market this winter, may have a 3-prong plug. As a part of a gradual change-over by manufacturers since January, 1955, certain equipment is required by Underwriters Laboratories to have the 3-prong plug to get U. L. approval. The reason for this change - over is that many people have held a power tool or other appliance that was faulty or merely damp, and found they could not let it go, the reason being electric shock.

The extra prong on the new plug is intended as a ground to prevent shock. This plug will not fit most of the outlets now used in homes. However adapters are available which will allow you to use an ordinary outlet, but with adapters the appliance is not grounded unless the green fire of the adapter is grounded. The use of this new equipment will not present a big problem on re-wiring.

World 1955 corn crop may set a new high record.

Automation will not hurt labor, N. A. M. says.

NEWS FOR VETERANS

Fall enrollments of veterans under the Korean GI Bill have broken all past records of the three-year-old training program, and probably will pass the $700,000 mark before the end of the year, Veterans Administration announced.

Incomplete reports from schools show that nearly 615,000 Korea veterans were in training November 1, VA said. This represents a 36 percent increase over the 451,080 enrolled a year ago, and also is well above the previous peak of 603,000 veteran - trainees, reached on May 1, 1955.

GI college enrollments made the largest stride over the past year, VA said, rising from 225,000 veteran-students on November 1, 1954, to 341,000 this year—a 50 per cent increase.

Enrollments in schools below the college level rose 20 per cent, from 148,000 to 178,000. GI farm training registered a 40 per cent increase, going from 25,000 to 35,000. On-the-job training increased the least —a 13 per cent rise from 53,000 to 60,000.

This year's sizeable boost in the number of Korea veteran-trainees more than made up for the continuing decline in the number of World War II veterans still training under the original World War II GI Bill, VA said.

Homemakers Items

Merry Christmas From the Kitchen

A few rules of thumb to help homemakers enjoy the holidays are forthcoming from nutritionists at V. P. I.

First of all, they say, begin early. If you haven't already do so, bake fruit cakes and plum pudding now. Plan Christmas dinner and other special affairs early. Keep your entertainment simple. Prepare everything possible in advance. Be rested so you can enjoy the fun, too.

If you have a feezer, bake Christmas breads and cookies and freeze them now. You may make many vegetable dishes ahead of time also and freeze them. Sweet potatoes are especially good this way.

Keep sweets simple and nutritious. Serve fruit often. Too much rich food and concentrated sweets after result in colds and indigestion. Make a rule for the children—sweets eaten only at the end of a meal.

Plan food gifts you can make in advance.

The nutritionists, Miss Janet Cameron and Mrs. Mary Thompson, have authored a leaflet of seasonal interest. Entitled, "Merry Christmas—from Our Kitchen to Yours," it contains many recipes for many holiday treats, from the traditional turkey and ham to such time-saving dishes as tuna-egg casserole, included also are recipes for cookies, candies, frostings, etc. Ask your home demonstration agent, or write the VPI Agricultural Extension Service at Blacksburg, Va. for a free copy.

DEER KILL WEST OF THE BLUE RIDGE

With additional reports still to come, the deer kill figures for the area West of the Blue Ridge Mountains have already reached the 6,424 mark. According to L. T. Quinn, executive director of the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries, final figures will probably match or surpass last year's kill of 7,373.

VII DISTRICT MEETING OF SOCIAL WORKERS

On December 8, the quarterly meeting of the VII District of the Virginia Conference of Social Work was held in South Boston, with Miss Catherine Chambers, president, presiding.

The program consisted of a discussion of legislation to meet Social Welfare needs in Virginia. It was led by Mrs. O. E. Zacharias, Jr., cnairman of the Welfare Department of the Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs.

Mrs. Hazel R. Mann and Mrs. Emma Y. Hunter, of Appomattox, attended this meeting.

Mrs. Zacharias stated that the aim of the Women's Club is to interest people in the needs of the community, first on state level and then on the county level. The clubs are concerned about the needs of hospitals for emotionally disturbed children, the need for mental hygiene clinics, services to the juvenile courts and Welfare Departments and care of the aged. Numerous studies of these needs have been made on the state level and it is necessary to get the story before the people through means of the radio, TV, the press, and to approach legislators personally and impress the importance of meeting these needs.

Following the luncheon, a business meeting was held.

The next meeting will be held at the Danville Country Club Inn on March 8, 1956.

"LAYER FATIGUE" MAY CATCH HENS

When good hens go off feed, lapse into unseasonable molts, and just won't lay, it's possible you've got a case of what is called layer fatigue. This is something you won't find in disease textbooks because it isn't a disease.

Layer fatigue is just a case of breaking down under the strain of continued high egg production.

Stress Factors

Continued high production may be a stress on the health of the layer. If other stresses, such as poor housing, competition for feed, and low-grade disease or parasitic conditions, are allowed to pile up, the high-effort hen is liable to break down.

The answer to layer fatigue, of course, is to rest and rehabilitate the bird. This can be done by removing her from stress conditions, making it comfortable for her, and treating her for any parasitic condition that exists.

Individual Cages

Many poultrymen know that tired or run-down birds respond when segergated from the flock, because thus they are able to consume more feed. The feed is converted more effectively for maintenance and for egg production when birds are kept in individual cages.

Test data show that individually caged layers produce more eggs on less feed intake than floor - kept layers.

Other rehabilitation measures may consist of giving fatigued birds increased amounts of vitamins, minerals, and other rich nutrients. Sharpening the appetite, getting the digestive works running smoothly, and generally building up the bird, all help.

List of Factors

Eliminating as many stress factors as possible will produce an amazing difference in your flock's ability to "take it." Here is a partial list of stresses that may affect flock health and condition:

Poor housing, not enough ventilation, damp litter, chilling, change of feeding, lack of water, not enough feeded space, worms, external parasites, vaccination reactions, and other diseases.

Good management keeps stresses at a minimum and maintains the laying flock in top condition.

GROOM-TO-BE DIES

Cleveland, O.- A few minutes after Victor Doubek, 50, a tool-maker, and Mrs. Ruth Zajowski, 43-year-old widow, obtained a marriage license, and had driven away form the courthouse, Doubek's car slowed down and came to a stop against a utility pole. He had died of a heart attack.

LIGHTS PAINTED OUT

Easton, Pa.- Wondering why his headlights were not working, Stanley Decker stopped his car and investigated. He found they had been painted over completely with black poster paint.

MUSICAL MIXUP

Omaha, Neb.- During Sunday morning worship at the Wheeler Presbyterian Church, the amplifying system somehow got crossed with a radio beam. As a result, the strains of "The Yellow Roses of Texas boomed out over the loud speaker right in the middle of the service.

The average value of listed stocks was down 2.6 per cent in October.

Appomattox Methodist Circuit

Aaron D. Smith, Pastor

10 A. M. Mt. Comfort. Subject: "The Desire of Christmas."

11:15 A. M. Hermon. Subject: "The Light Has Come."

Christmas programs will be presented as follows:

Sunday evening, the 18th, Trinity at 7:30 and at Hermon, 7:30.

Tuesday evening, Dec. 20.- Bethel, at 7:30.

Friday evening, Dec. 23.- Mt. Comfort, at 7:30.

A CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

A Christmas Pageant, entitled "A Promise Fulfilled" will be presented by the Primaries, Juniors and Young People of Memorial Methodist Church Sunday School Sunday evening, Dec. 18, at 7:30. Music for the service will be by the Youth Choir of the church, with Mrs. Murrell Ferguson at the organ.

The public is cordially invited to attend this service.

RED OA KY. W. A.

The Y. W. A.'s of the Red Oak Baptist Church held their regular meeting in the home of Mary Frances and Shirley Harris on Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Scripture was read by Sylvia Garrett and Margaret Deaner offered the opening prayer. An interesting program on prayer was given by the following: Shirley Burge, Ruby Hall, Shirley Harris, Dorothy Wilkerson, Mary Frances Harris and Gail Hillman.

Plans were made to go Christmas Caroling Dec. 24 at 6:30 P. M.

The meeting was adjourned with the Y. W. A. Watchword.

A social hour followed, with the exchange of Christmas gifts, and the serving of delicious refreshments by the hostesses.

MAILMAN'S MILAGE

Newark, N. J.- William J. Truesdell, who retired recently as a mailman after 48 years, estimates he has walked 60,000 miles and delivered 600 tons of mail during his tour of duty.

CHURCH NEWS

St. Ann's Episcopal Church

9:45 A. M. Sunday School.
7:30 P. M. Evening Prayer and Sermon. The Rev. Charles W. Norfleet, Jr.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE AT PAMPLIN METH. CHURCH

There will be a candlelight service of Christmas music at Pamplin Methodist Church on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 18, at 5 o'clock.

Memorial Methodist Church

Rev. Lee H. Richcreek, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 A. M.
C. W. Smith, Supt.

Morning Worship, 11 A. M.
Sermon subject: "God's Christmas Gift to the World."

Evening Worship at 7:30. Christmas Service, entitled, "A Promise Fulfilled" will be presented by the Sunday School.

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If you must watch your weight, drink two pints of skim milk.

Brush your hair each day. This is good for oily and dry hair alike. Always brush in upward strokes away from the head. Also massage your scalp at least once each week.

Use a shampoo that is suited to your hair as often as is necessary. This may be once every three weeks or twice a week, depending on your system. Rinse the hair thoroughly afterwards.

If your hair needs treatments for some condition such as dryness do not fail to take steps at once. The fewer permanents you have the less trouble you will have with your hair and scalp.

If for some reason you want to change the natural color of your hair, don't try to recapture the shade your hair used to be. A lighter color is usually more becoming to us as we grow older because it makes a softer frame for our faces.

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Urges Use of Salk Vaccine

Dr. Mack I. Shanholtz, State Health Commissioner, has urged all parents of children ages 1-10 to take advantage of the Salk poliomyelitis vaccine.

He expressed concern that in many areas of the state only a small percentage of the parents are having their children inoculated. Dr. Shanholtz further stated, "we have every possible assurance that' the Salk vaccine is safe."

"A report given in April, 1955," he said, "showed that the vaccine used in the 1954 field trials was 60 to 90 per cent effective in preventing paralytic polio."

Recent reports by Dr. Leonard A. Scheile, Surgeon-General of the U. S. Public Health Service, give "strong evidence" that the Salk poliomyeitis vaccine when given in only one dose, affords substantial protection against developing paralitic poliomyelitis' and to a lesser degree against developing non-paralytic poliomyelitis. However, when three doses are given, the degree of protection is much greater and, according to Dr. Shanholtz, the State Health Department recommends giving three doses.

Dr. Shanholtz also stated that in order to complete the three dose schedule before the poliomyelitis season, it is important to begin immediately. In addition, he said that if the deamnd does not pick up considerably, some vaccine might be wasted due to the fact that it is short dated. "The supply is definitely limited," he continued, "and the rate of production of the vaccine at the present is not as fast as we had hoped it would be at this time."

"Some child," he further stated, "may lose his chance of receiving the vaccine before the next polio season if doctors and parents continue to postpone taking advantage of this protective measure."

BEAR WITH A HOMING INSTINCT

On November 22, Homer G. Bauserman, of Arlington, one of the commissioners of the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries, bagged a male bear, near Waynesboro, which bore tag No. 134.

A checkup shows that the bear was trapped and tagged at Sherando Lake last June 4 and released the same day at Vance's Cove, about 85 miles away, in Frederick County. Apparently this bear, at least, had a strong homing instinct.

DEATHS

MR. THOMAS W. ODER

Mr. Thomas W. Oder, 92, retired farmer, oldest member of Liberty Baptist Church and perhaps oldest man in Appomattox County, died at 9:00 A. M. yesterday at his home here, where he had lived for 91 years. He was born Dec. 2, 1863 and was the son of the late Joseph Allen and Anne Chathan Oder. He was a member of Liberty Church for more than 80 years, and took an active role in church and community life.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lizzie Coleman Oder; two daughters, Mrs. R. V. Harper, of Lynchburg, and Mrs. C. R. Rexrode, of Harrisonburg; one son, H. A. Oder, of Lexington, and by six grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 2:30 P. M. from the Liberty Baptist Church, conducted by Dr. Carl A. Collins, Jr., pastor. Interment will made in Liberty Cemetery.

MR. ROBERT L. CARTER

Mr. Robert Lee Carter, 91, died at his home Wednesday morning, after an illness of two months. He was born in Buckingham's County, July 18, 1864, son of the late Daniel and Lucy McFadden Carter. He was a retired farmer and was a member of Liberty Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Georgianna Almond Carter; three daughters, Mrs. Annie Alderman, of Norfolk; Mrs. Emma McFadden, of Appomattox; Miss Mary Carter, of Richmond; two sons, Herman and Daniel Carter, both of Appomattox; 16 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday at 3 P. M. from Liberty Baptist Church, conducted by Dr. Carl A. Collins, Jr., pastor. Interment will be in New Hope Baptist Cemetery.

The pallbearers will be the grandsons of the deceased.

DUCK HOOKED

Parkersburg, W. Va.- While feeding the ducks which inhabit the city park's lake, Batten, city park superintendent, noticed one of the ducks was out in the middle of the lake and wouln't come in for his food. Rowing out to investigate, he found the duck had swallowed a fish hook and the attached leader was fouled around a water lily.

POST OFFICE ASKS EARLY MAILING

To put off mailing Christmas cards and parcels until a date designed to cause their delivery on Christmas Eve results in an extra burden being placed on postal employees and on postal facilities, Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield said today.

"The majority of citizens realize that the early arrival of a Christ-card or gift is always welcomed," the Postmaster General pointed out. "But there still are some who retain the mistaken idea that a gift or a card arriving on Christmas Eve has a special significance. The thougat behind the gift or card, not the time of arrival, is the important consideration."

Mr. Summerfield anticipates that this year's mail load will exceed the record established in 1954.

Tufts will succeed Grainger as U. S. G. A. president.

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